

Forge and fire

Alpine blacksmiths creating works of art with iron, heat

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ALPINE — When Rodger Graham gets ready to create a masterpiece, he doesn't pull out the paints and brushes.



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may put halt to road work

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Transportation planners are in the fast lane when it comes to getting Utah County road projects off the ground because come this August air pollution woes will bring new road construction to a



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gram.

More than 310 service hours were logged during the project, all of which will be donated to the American Fork Community Literacy Center's fund-raiser. Donors will give volunteers \$1 for every hour of community service rendered.

"I'm very pleased with how the whole day went," said Assistant Principal Jim Young. "We had good support from

Wednesday that treasured pieces of him lived on. But not only in hearts and minds where the Seuses will carry the memory of 23½ years with their beloved "child" and partner.

But Bart will live on in the flesh, fur and high-spirited antics of a cub who had gone by the name of Hoss, since the Seuses recently adopted him and his sister, Honey, after their mother was killed by an Alaskan hunter

think of the absolute blessings of sharing his life with our own. It was miraculous, the things he accomplished."

A paramount achievement to the Seuses is how Bart enabled them to start Vital Ground, the Park City-based foundation devoted to preserving bear and other wildlife habitat.

The family is grateful that the week Bart died, Vital Ground purchased two Kodiak Island parcels

"Bart the Bear" nuzzles owner/trainer Doug Seus at their Heber

for his wild brothers and sisters."

The purchases were 145 acres on Sturgeon Lagoon on the east side of Kodiak and 25 acres at Uyak Bay in the north.

"It's not how much land but how important it was," Doug said. "The larger piece is major duck-nesting habitat, which they were going to develop into another Lake Tahoe

mal cancer clinic at University.

Through the effort there, plus lots of love, alternative medicine, the Seuses are able to keep Bart with another year in his beloved home.

Finally, after Bart

Mark Schramm, blacksmith at Harmony Forge in Alpine, creates metal flower. Workers make everything by hand.



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manship in the international metalcraft competition 14 international awards given for outstanding crafts-

shop — called Harmony Forge — has won two of the His peers seem to agree. Graham's blacksmith

2,200 degrees." "Everybody forges a little different," said Graham, an Alpine blacksmith and artist. "I forge well at

chisel. He fires up the forge and heats a piece of iron to 2,200 degrees. Then, he picks up a hammer and a

material ranging from old homes to old industrial buildings.